



The fourth question of Fatwa No. 12470

Q4: I performed the Fajr (dawn) Prayer as an Imam for four people. In the first Rak`ah (unit of Prayer) I recited Surah Al-Fatiyah and some Ayahs (verses) from the beginning of Surah Sad. In the second Rak`ah, I recited Surah Al-Fatiyah and also completed reciting other Ayahs in Surah Sad. I unintentionally skipped reciting one Ayah in Surah Sad in the second Rak`ah. I remembered this missed Ayah after reciting four other Ayahs. Then, I hesitated between re-reciting the missed Ayah and continued with my recitation. I continued my recitation without reciting the Ayah I had forgotten. What should I do in this case? Should I re-perform my Salah (prayer)? Is my Salah valid? What about the Salah of the people who were following me? Should they perform their Salah again? If we have to re-perform our Salah, should we do that in congregation? Moreover, it is difficult for us to gather again as we all live in different cities.

A: Unintentionally missing an Ayah during your recitation in Salah after reciting Al-Fatiyah does not render

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your Salah or that of those who were following you invalid

May Allah grant us success! May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family, and Companions!

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